

Energy Wise Awards

Evansville IN, May 16, 2012 – Three participants in the Energy Action in Schools Program sponsored by Duke Energy, Office of Energy Development and National Energy Foundation are receiving an award for their hard work with Energy Patrols.

Phil Martin, maintenance supervisor Clark-Pleasant School Corporation, received the award for Energy Wise champion at the School at 1:30 p.m. on May 16. Martin's hard work was recognized district wide and was summed up by Energy Patrol advisor, Ken Sears, who stated "in the past six years, we avoided over \$3 million in energy costs by all our efforts, led by our maintenance supervisor, Phil Martin."

Andrew Schroder received the Energy Wise Custodian award at Chrisnet Elementary at 7:30 the morning of May 16. Chrisney Elementary Principal, Julie Kemp, said "Andrew Schroder brings commitment and enthusiasm to our energy saving by showing a 27% reduction in our usage since he was hired in November 2011."

Thom Lunik, student and leader of the Energy Conservation Club at Fishers High School, will receive the award for Energy Wise Patrol at Fishers High at 8:30 the morning of May 17. Thom's communication skills and the actions he took led Dean Rob Seymour to say "Thom envisions a more global impact for the club and would like to create partnerships with other schools in their district and in the country to focus on energy conservation and education."

These outstanding leaders in energy efficiency will each receive an ipad 2 as their award at the presentation at each of their schools. Kelly Van Dusan of national Energy Foundation along with representatives of Duke Energy and school officials will be at each school to present the awards in person.

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